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## \$1 BILLION ALLOCATED TO IMPROVE TRANSPORTATION AND EXPAND STATE'S ECONOMY

**Sacramento** – Continuing the push to rebuild California's infrastructure and spur job growth, the California Transportation Commission (CTC) today allocated \$1 billion to 107 transportation projects statewide, including \$838 million from Proposition 1B, a transportation bond approved by voters in 2006. The remaining allocations came from assorted state and federal transportation accounts.

"From one end of the state to the other, transportation projects are providing jobs and improving mobility for people and businesses in California," said Caltrans Director Cindy McKim.

Since its passage, \$6.8 billion in Proposition 1B funding has been allocated by Caltrans and the CTC. Highlights of today's funding allocations for the northstate include:

The South Redding Six Lane project and the Dana to Downtown Landscaping project, both in Shasta County, received funding.

The \$22.5 million South Redding Six Lane project will add a 12-ft lane and a 10-ft shoulder in the median in both the southbound and northbound directions on Interstate 5 (I-5) in Shasta County from the Bonnyview Road Interchange north to the I-5/SR 44 freeway to freeway interchange. This project has been developed through a partnership between Caltrans, the Shasta County Regional Transportation Planning Agency and the Federal Highway Administration.

The \$500,000 landscaping project on State Route 44 in Redding from the I-5/SR 44 separation to East Street will complete landscaping and install irrigation on the Dana to Downtown project, which completed in October 2010. This project is also in cooperation with the Shasta County RTPA. The Dana to Downtown project relieved congestion in the greater Redding area, improved highway safety, supplemented the Redding bike and pedestrian trail system and provided an enhanced gateway into downtown Redding.

For information about all projects that received allocations please visit: <a href="http://www.dot.ca.gov/docs/ctcprojectallocationsjanuary2011.pdf">http://www.dot.ca.gov/docs/ctcprojectallocationsjanuary2011.pdf</a>